

Town of Richmond

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October 25, 2021 Meeting

Selectmen present: William Daniels, Douglas Bersaw and Andrew Wallace

Public Present:

Non-Board member present: Susan Harrington and Jennifer Thompson

Meeting opened at 5:37 pm

Bersaw moved; Wallace 2nd; Board voted to approve the manifest dated October 25, 2021 for week of October 15, 2021-October 21, 2021 in the amount of: \$ 20,360.01 for payroll/accounts payable. This manifest also includes the monthly stipend payroll/accounts payable for the month of October.

Board signed MS-535 for 2021. Harrington to upload to NH Department of Revenue Association.

Daniels moved; Bersaw 2nd; Board approved Yield Tax bill in the amount of \$762.42 for Intent to Cut Operation #20-385-08-T. Fitzwilliam Road, Map 407 Lot 094 Sub 004. Owner-Susa.

Email from Town Clerk, Karen O'Brien referencing RSA 33-A:3-a, LXXX and LXXXI, RSA 91-A:2 and RSA 91-A:3 and response from New Hampshire Municipal Association's Legal Department. The question was raised as to if the Broadband Committee is a "public body". Board will speak with Town Clerk regarding this topic at the Town Clerk 2022 Budget meeting on November 1, 2021 meeting at 6:00 pm.

Daniels approved rental application for the rental of the Veteran's Memorial Hall on November 14, 2021 for a family gathering.

The State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation Driveway Permit received for Map 405 Lot 039-Old Homestead Hwy. Owner-Filipi.

Harrington discussed Pavilion rental with Board. The renter would like to know if they could use the fire pits at the Pavilion. Harrington to contact Fire Department.

Appointments

Road Agent, Buddy Blood met with the Board to provide an update on Fish Hatchery Road the top coat is complete from Rte. 32 to Mill Road. Buddy submitted timesheet for July 17 and 18 storms. Buddy discussed repairing Taylor Hill Road. Discussed salt for the winter.

Mary Ann Lauretti met with the Board to discuss the cancellation of the Talent Show that is scheduled for December. Mary Ann thanked the Board for their support. She also discussed Broadband options that she will bring to the Broadband Committee.

Richmond Public Library Trustees Dixie Gurian, John Lewis, Barbara Rogers and Librarian, Wendy O'Brien met with the Board to discuss the 2022 Budget. The increase to the 2022 budget is due to an increase in the salary and utilities.

2021 Approved Budget=\$39,177.00 2022 Requested Budget=\$41,675.80

Cemetery Trustees Jerry Merrifield, Jerry Mills and Hugh Van Brocklin met with the Board to discuss the 2022 Budget. The 2022 increase includes a line item for stone repair and one-time expenses for cemetery maintenance-cutting branches, loam.

2021 Approved Budget=\$12,000.00 2022 Requested Budget=\$21,600.00

Emergency Management Director, John Janicki met with the Board to discuss the 2022 Budget. The increase of \$2,000.00 is due to an increase in the Town's Emergency Operations Plan which increased to \$4,000. This is a potential charge required by the State which could be reimbursed.

2021 Approved Budget=\$9,294.00 2022 Requested Budget=\$11,294.00

Zoning Board of Adjustment Chairman Alan Schmidt and Land Use Assistant Kim Mattson.

Daniels moved; Bersaw 2nd; the Board voted to enter into nonpublic under RSA 91-A:3, II(c) *Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.*

Roll Call: Daniels (Y), Bersaw (Y), and Wallace (Y). Non-Public session was entered at 7:44 pm.

Wallace moved; Bersaw 2nd; the Board voted to SEAL the minutes. Roll call: Daniels (Y), Bersaw (Y), Wallace(Y). Minutes have been sealed.

Wallace moved; Daniels 2nd; the Board voted to reconvene Public session. Roll call: Daniels (Y), Bersaw (Y), Wallace (Y). Public session was reconvened at 9:08 pm.

Board discussed legal issues.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m. Respectfully Submitted, Susan Harrington